



COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

*Sections 226 and 708*  
*Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006*

APPLICATION FOR VARIATION OF A PIPELINE LICENCE

I, **GRAEME ALBERT WATERS**, the National Offshore Petroleum Titles Administrator, on behalf of the Commonwealth–Victoria Offshore Petroleum Joint Authority hereby give notice pursuant to sections 226 and 708 of the *Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006* that an application has been received from

**Esso Australia Resources Pty Ltd**  
(ABN 62 091 829 819)

**BHP Petroleum (Bass Strait) Pty. Ltd.**  
(ABN 29 004 228 004)

for the variation of Pipeline Licence VIC/PL15 in the offshore area of Victoria, as set out below.

Pursuant to subsection 226(3) of the Act, a person may make a written submission to the Titles Administrator about this application within 30 days from the date of this notice.

This notice takes effect on the day on which it appears in the *Australian Government Gazette*.

Made under the *Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006*  
of the Commonwealth of Australia.

**GRAEME ALBERT WATERS**  
TITLES ADMINISTRATOR  
ON BEHALF OF THE COMMONWEALTH–VICTORIA  
OFFSHORE PETROLEUM JOINT AUTHORITY

## **APPLICATION FOR VARIATION OF PIPELINE LICENCE VIC/PL15**

The application seeks to effect the following amendments to the licence to reflect the proposed repair of the Cobia to Halibut Oil Pipeline (the Cobia Pipeline Repair Project) by replacing a 5.5 km section of 300 mm (nominal) diameter steel pipeline between the risers on the Cobia and Halibut platforms with a 6" flexible pipeline.

### **Route of the Pipeline**

1. Update the pipeline route description to reflect minor changes to the pipeline route resulting from the proposed pipeline repair (see Pipeline Coordinates below).
2. Add a route map of the proposed repaired pipeline (see Appendix A).

### **Pipeline Specifications**

3. Update the existing pipeline specifications to reflect the proposed repair to the pipeline.
4. Update the pipeline specifications to include additional design details and parameters.

The application also seeks to effect the following administrative amendments to the licence:

### **Pipeline Duration, Interpretation and Conditions**

5. Vary the duration of the licence from a fixed term to an indefinite term to reflect legislative amendment.
6. Where possible, remove references in the licence to the former Designated Authorities or the 'said Director'.
7. Insert standard licence wording requiring the licensee to comply with the provisions of the Act and any directions made under the Act.
8. Under the heading 'Interpretation', delete the current text and insert definitions of "the Act", "the regulations" and "pipeline".
9. Delete conditions A–E of Part II of the Second Schedule, relating to pipeline specifications, performance, reporting and approval requirements that are no longer required or have been superseded under the current regulatory regime (and are regulated by the National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority).

### **Pipeline Co-ordinates**

The pipeline route is described in the table below, and displayed on the attached map, commencing at the Cobia platform production tee and terminating at the Halibut platform pig receiver isolation valve, within a corridor centred on the pipeline route, along the pipeline and between the HLA and CBA platform 500m petroleum safety zone. Coordinates are based on Geodetic Datum of Australia (GDA94).

<b>ID</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>EASTING</b>	<b>NORTHING</b>
	Halibut Riser	615309.9	5748503.3
TP1a	Start of first pipeline curve - TP1a	615394.2	5748432.4
TP1b	End of first pipeline curve TP1b	615410.2	5748380.6
	Crossing of Redundant CBA300 and HLA100 pipelines	615400.2	5748345.2
TP2a	Start of second pipeline curve TP2a	615116.5	5747340.6
TP2b	End of second pipeline curve TP2b	615110.9	5747321.8
TP3a	Start of third pipeline curve TP3a	614953.3	5746802.7
TP3b	End of third pipeline curve TP3b	614945.0	5746773.9
TP4a	Start of forth pipeline curve TP4a	614666.9	5745748.7
TP4b	End of forth pipeline curve TP4b	614664.1	5745738.8
TP5a	Start of fith pipeline curve TP5a	614106.6	5743764.5
TP5b	End of fith pipeline curve TP5b	614104.7	5743752.6
TP6a	Start of sixth pipeline curve TP6a	614097.8	5743539.6
TP6b	End of sixth pipeline curve TP6b	614170.2	5743493.3
	Cobia Riser	614231.7	5743524.1

Coordinate set above is based on GDA94 / MGA Zone 55, survey of pipeline centreline.

# Appendix A: Cobia to Halibut Oil Pipeline Route (subject to repair)

